



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

Filing Requirements: Precinct Delegate
-- 2010 Election Cycle --

Qualifications: An individual who wishes to seek a precinct delegate position must be "a qualified and registered elector residing within, as well as having his or her actual bona fide residence within, the election precinct for which he or she desires to become a candidate on the filing deadline." (MCL 168.624)

Filing requirements: A person who wishes to seek a precinct delegate position must file an Affidavit of Identity with the clerk of his or her county, city or township of residence no later than **4:00 p.m. on May 11, 2010**. Petition signatures are not required. (MCL 168.624)
after May 11 as write-in delegate.

Such candidates will appear on the August 3, 2010 primary ballot. A precinct delegate candidate may hold or seek any other public office in Michigan. As a consequence, a precinct delegate candidate may appear as a candidate for another office on the August 3, 2010 primary ballot.

An Affidavit of Identity form designed exclusively for use by precinct delegate candidates can be obtained through any county, city or township clerk's office. The Affidavit of Identity form is also available on the Michigan Department of State's Web site: www.Michigan.gov/sos. The availability of the precinct delegate Affidavit of Identity form does not preclude a precinct delegate candidate from filing with the standard Affidavit of Identity form if desired.

Withdrawal: The deadline for withdrawing a precinct delegate filing is **4:00 p.m. on May 14, 2010**. The withdrawal must be in writing and must be filed with the county clerk; Michigan election law does not make any allowances for filing such withdrawals with the city or township clerk. (MCL 168.624a)

Filing requirements for write-in candidates: An individual who wishes to seek a precinct delegate position with write-in votes is required to file a Declaration of Intent with the city or township clerk by **4:00 p.m. on July 30, 2010**. As an alternative, such candidates may file a Declaration of Intent with the appropriate precinct board on the day of the August primary anytime prior to the close of the polls. (There are no provisions of law which permit write-in candidates seeking precinct delegate positions to file on the county level.) A Declaration of Intent form developed exclusively for use by precinct delegate candidates can be obtained through any county, city or township clerk's office. The Declaration of Intent form is also available on the Michigan Department of State's Web site: www.Michigan.gov/sos. (MCL 168.737a)

Financial disclosure: Precinct delegate candidates are not required to file disclosure forms under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act.

Questions: If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections.

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**PRECINCT DELEGATE
AFFIDAVIT OF IDENTITY AND RECEIPT OF FILING**

PLEASE COMPLETE SECTIONS I, II AND III BELOW (PRINT OR TYPE) - See Reverse Side for Important Notifications

OFFICE USE ONLY

Received By _____ Date of Filing _____

☐ County ☐ City ☐ Township of

I. CANDIDATE IDENTIFICATION/APPEARANCE OF NAME ON BALLOT

Name _____ Birth Date _____

(Last) (First) (Middle) (Month) (Day) (Year)

Have you changed your name within the last 10 years for reasons other than marriage? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, enter full former name here (See "Section A" on reverse) _____

I WISH TO HAVE MY NAME APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS PRINTED BELOW (Nicknames/titles not permitted. See "Section B" on reverse.)

[illegible]

Residence Address _____

Mailing Address (See "Section C" on reverse) _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

County of _____. Resident of County for _____ years. Resident of Michigan for _____ years.

I am a citizen of the United States: ☐ Yes ☐ No (You must be a United States citizen to seek a precinct delegate position.)

II. POSITION DESIGNATION

I wish to appear on the primary ballot as a precinct delegate candidate as indicated below:

☐ City ☐ Township of _____ Precinct # _____ Ward # (if any) _____

Political Party _____ Date of Primary _____

I am registered and qualified to vote in the precinct identified above: ☐ Yes ☐ No

(You must be registered to vote and reside within the precinct you wish to represent as a precinct delegate.)

III. FILER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By signing this affidavit, I swear that the statements made above are true. I further acknowledge that making a false statement in this affidavit is perjury, punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE _____

Subscribed and sworn to by _____ Name of Notary _____

before me on the ____ day of _____, _____ Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of _____

My commission expires _____

Acting in the County of _____

Signature of Notary Public

PRECINCT DELEGATE AFFIDAVIT OF IDENTITY

A candidate who seeks a precinct delegate position must file an Affidavit of Identity with his or her county clerk or, as an alternative, his or her city or township clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on the twelfth Tuesday prior to the August primary. A city or township clerk receiving this form must forward a copy to the county clerk within four days after the filing deadline. (MCL 168.624)

A. CHANGE OF NAME

Michigan election law, MCL 168.558, stipulates that a candidate who is "not using a name, whether a given name, a surname, or otherwise, that is not a name that he or she was given at birth" must indicate his or her full former name on the Affidavit of Identity. The requirement to indicate a name change on the Affidavit of Identity does *not* apply if:

- The candidate's name was formally changed 10 or more years ago.
- The candidate's name was changed in a Certificate of Naturalization issued by a federal district court 10 or more years ago.
- The candidate's name was changed because of marriage.
- The candidate's name was changed through divorce to a "legal name by which the individual was previously known."

Michigan election law provides that a candidate required to indicate a name change on the Affidavit of Identity must be listed on the ballot "with his or her current name and former name as prescribed by the Secretary of State." (MCL 168.560b)

B. APPEARANCE OF NAME ON BALLOT

Michigan election law provides the following stipulations regarding the manner in which a candidate can have his or her name printed on the ballot:

- A candidate "may specify that both his or her given name and middle name, or only a middle name, shall appear on the ballot."
- A candidate "may specify that either an initial or a recognized diminutive for the candidate's given name or middle name, or for both, shall appear on the ballot."
- A candidate may *not* use a "nickname that is not a recognized diminutive of the candidate's given name or middle name" on the ballot.
- A married person may *not* use his or her spouse's given name, middle name or a diminutive of his or her spouse's given name or middle name on the ballot.

C. MAILING ADDRESS

A candidate who wishes to receive communications from his or her filing official at an address other than his or her residential address should enter a "mailing address" where indicated. (Note: A candidate may list a P.O. Box for his or her "mailing address"; a candidate may *not* list a P.O. Box for his or her residential address.)

D. WITHDRAWAL OF FILING

A precinct delegate candidate who wishes to withdraw his or her filing must submit a written withdrawal statement to the filing official no later than 4:00 p.m. on the third day after the filing deadline.